IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO

| In re: | | CASE NO: 09-53190 |
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| |) | Chapter 13 |
| Frank Paul Toplovich | | |
| |) | ADVERSARY NO: |
| Janice Childrey Toplovich fka Janice C. Ko | vacs | |
| |) | |
| Debtor(s). | | Judge Marilyn Shea-Stonum |
| |) | |
| | | COMPLAINT TO DETERMINE |
| Frank Paul Toplovich |) | THAT CLAIM OF HUNTINGTON |
| Janice Childrey Toplovich fka Janice C. Ko | vacs | NATIONAL BANK, IF ANY, IS |
| 8850 Freedom Rd. |) | A GENERAL UNSECURED |
| Windham, OH 44288 | | <u>CLAIM</u> |
| |) | |
| Plaintiffs | | |
| V. |) | |
| | | |
| Huntington National Bank |) | |
| 41 S. High St., Huntington Center | | |
| Columbus, OH 43215-6101 |) | |
| | | |
| Defendant. |) | |

Frank Paul Toplovich and Janice Childrey Toplovich, the plaintiffs herein, by and through the undersigned counsel, for their complaint against Huntington National Bank, allege as follows:

- This is a core proceeding over which this Court has jurisdiction under 28
 U.S.C. Sec. 157(b).
- 2. The plaintiffs are debtors in this chapter 13 case. The defendant, Huntington National Bank, claims or may claim to hold a secured claim against the debtors by virtue

of a mortgage in the original amount of \$22,000.00 and recorded with the Portage County, Ohio Recorder on October 9, 2001 and designated as instrument 200127817 in the records of the Portage County, Ohio Recorder. Upon information and belief, the debtors state that they owe an approximate principal balance of \$22,000.00 on this indebtedness.

- 3. The alleged mortgage owed to the defendant was intended to be a second mortgage and must be equitably subrogated to any claim of the first mortgage of CitiMortgage, Inc., a creditor in this case. The alleged mortgage referred to in paragraph two (2) above encumbers the plaintiffs' residential real estate located at 8850 Freedom Rd., Windham, Ohio.
- 4. CitiMortgage, Inc. holds the first mortgage encumbering the plaintiffs' residential real estate. This mortgage, in the original amount of \$140,002.00 was recorded on December 11, 2002 and was recorded as instrument 200238460 in the Portage County, Ohio Records. According to proof of claim 9-1 filed by this creditor, an approximate principal balance of \$145,631.95 is owed by the debtors on this first mortgage.
- 5. The value of the plaintiffs' above-referenced real estate, according to the appraisal of the Portage County, Ohio Auditor, attached hereto as Exhibit "A," is \$108,400.00.
- 6. Under the reasoning of *Lane v. Western Interstate Bancorp* (*In re Lane*), 280 F.3d 663 (6th Cir. 2002), the plaintiffs' obligation to the defendant is a wholly unsecured claim and, as such, is subject to lien stripping.

WHEREFORE, the plaintiffs request the entry of an order declaring that their obligation owed to the defendant, if any, is a wholly unsecured claim and must be allowed and paid as a general unsecured creditor inside the plan. The plaintiffs further are entitled to a judgment declaring that the above-referenced mortgage is null, void and without any legal effect whatsoever.

/s/ Robert M. Whittington, Jr.

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Summary

| Parcel ID Address 18-055-00-00-010- 000 8850 FREEDOM | Address | Index Order | Card |
|--|--------------|-------------|--------|
| | 8850 FREEDOM | Owner | 1 of 1 |

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| - | *** | ** | | | SA. | y. |

| Property Location | 8850 FREEDOM | Story Height Finished Square Footage | 2.00 |
|-----------------------|---|---|-------------------|
| Tax District | 18 FREEDOM TWP - GARFIELD LSD | Year Built Total Rooms | 1736 1967 6 |
| Land Use | 511 Single family Dwlg Unplat 0- 09.99 acres | Full Bathrooms Half Bathrooms | 1 |
| Neighborhood Acres | 19000 2.040 | Bedrooms | 3 |
| Tax Year | 2009 | | |

Legal Description **Property Information**

LOT 56 SE



| Owner | Information |
|-------|-------------|
| Owner | Information |
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| Owner Information | Mail Information |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| KOVACS JANICE C & FRANK | KOVACS JANICE & |
| PTOPLOVICH | TOLOVICH FRANK |
| 8850 FREEDOM RD | 8850 FREEDOM RD |
| WINDHAM, OH 44288 USA | WINDHAM, OH 44288 USA |

Assessment Info

| Board of Revision | No | Mkt. Land | \$30,000 |
|--------------------------|-----|------------------|------------|
| Homestead/Disability | Yes | Cauv Value | \$0 |
| 2.5% Reduction | Yes | Mkt. Improvement | \$78,400 |
| Divided Property | No | Total | \$108,400 |
| New Construction | No | | 7.50,.00 |
| Foreclosure | No | Annual Taxes | \$1,234.88 |
| Other Assessments | Yes | Taxes Paid | \$0.00 |
| Front Ft. | 0 | | 40.00 |

Recent Sale

| Arms Length Sale | No | Sale Date | 4/11/2002 |
|------------------|-----|----------------|-----------|
| No. of Parcels | 1 | Conveyance No. | |
| Deed Type | 0 | Deed Number | 884 |
| Sale Amount | \$0 | | |

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